

## APACHE INDIANS HAVE HARD TIME LIVING

Meet With Poor Success in Farming Along the Gila and San Carlos Rivers Since Rations Were Cut Off.

Capt. Tom Rynning, captain of the Arizona Rangers, has returned to Douglas from an extended trip through the Apache reservation, being called there by Agent Crouse. The captain was absent for nearly two weeks. There has been much complaint by the cattlemen who have herds on the reservation because of the number of cattle killed by the Indians and the agent desired that the rangers make an attempt to break up this thieving. Captain Rynning was at Fort Apache and San Carlos and on his return he stopped at the Hampton cattle ranch on Eagle creek and at Safford, his old home, in the Gila Valley.

"I found that the Indians are very poor," said the captain, "and that they are having a hard time in gaining sustenance since the government shut off the issuance of rations to them several years ago. Rations are now only issued to the very old and decrepit Indians. Those who are young and in health are expected to provide for themselves. The only work to be had by these Indians is on the Gila valley railroad, but this is not sufficient for all of them. A few have found work around Globe, but a great many are not able to find employment even if they desired to work."

"The Indians are forced to subsist largely on acorn, fruit and acorns, which they gather all over the hills and mountains of Graham and Elgin counties. They go in bands, carrying their squaws, on acorn hunts for which they are given permits by Agent Crouse, who is anxious to do all that is possible for the welfare of the Apaches who have been in his charge for a number of years."

"Along the Gila and San Carlos rivers the Indians are doing some farming, but they are not successful agriculturists. Before the military post was abolished at San Carlos the Indians in that vicinity were able to earn considerable money by cutting wild hay and selling it to the government, but about the time the soldiers were taken away from the San Carlos reservation the regular ration issues were discontinued and the hardship since then has been marked with all the Indians."

All through the Indian country and that rains have been bountiful, the grass is excellent and the cattle are fat. A week ago last Saturday when the Republican committee was holding a war dance at Bisbee, Capt. Rynning, who is a candidate for sheriff, or rather the Republican nomination for that office, was entertained by the cowboys on Hampton's ranch at an ox-head roast which was thoroughly enjoyed."

He stopped over in Safford for a day, where he enjoyed a visit with his numerous friends there. Capt. Rynning was at one time a resident of Safford, and came from there to this city about the time the Douglas townsite was being laid out. He found that the farmers of the valley were prosperous, and that crops this year had been unusually good. It is estimated that the surplus hay crop in the Gila valley this year will amount to about twenty-five hundred cars. Hay is now loaded on the cars at Safford and other valley towns for \$7 per ton, though some has been contracted for delivery next January at \$9 per ton. The grain crop of the valley was also good, and wheat is now selling for \$1.25 per hundred, while the price of barley is \$1.

Captain Rynning says that the politicians of Graham county are already very busy. There are numerous candidates for sheriff, and the fight in the Democratic convention for that office promises to be a strenuous one. The candidates include Frank Richardson, who has been the under sheriff for a number of years, Geo. Gamble, the ex-treasurer of the county, Constable Snow, of Clifton, Al DeWitt, of Douglas, and McKinnon, who has announced himself as an independent Democratic candidate for the office. The Republicans have not yet even considered their candidate for sheriff, and no one is yet out for the nomination. Hon. W. T. Webb, of Pima, is slated for the Democratic nomination for the County. Wiley E. Jones, of Graham, will accept the nomination for the assembly. For District Attorney, A. G. McAllister is in the field and the only declared candidate for the position.

The "fall" season will soon be upon. Have you prepared your campaign of advertising?

RICH SON WORKS HARD.

CHICAGO, Ill., Aug. 27.—Carrying his dinner pail, working the same hours and taking a pot luck with thousands of other laborers, Chauncey B. McCormick, son of William G. McCormick, of Cloverdale, Elstow Place, Baltimore is earning his way at the McCormick Harvester Works here. The young man will inherit millions, but said he wanted to see by actual contact "how the other half" lives. He lives in Hull House, the famous settlement, in the very center of the city's most squalid and congested district. His evenings are spent in study, and he has no recreation. All of his spare time is spent with his fellow workers, who do not know his real identity. The men were suspicious of him at first, because of his white hands and his education, but he made good in his work, and now they are fond of him. He regrets that he must go back to college for another year.

## BUILDING BOOM IN SMELTER CITY

No City in Southwest Having a Population of Ten Thousand Can Equal Wonderful Showing Made by Douglas—Represent Investment of \$448,250.

Notwithstanding the growth of Douglas during the first five years of its existence which ended last January, the present year's growth, which will end with its sixth anniversary, will exceed far any previous year. The list of buildings now under construction, or for which contracts have been awarded, as given below, represents an investment of \$448,250, and is a showing that no other city in the west, having a population of ten thousand, can equal. The list of buildings given below does not include many handsome buildings which have been completed during the present year in every part of the city. Were the buildings which have been completed since January first added to the list below, the amount of building for this year, already assured, would easily pass the half million mark.

**DOUGLAS, Aug. 27.—(Special.)**—Plans have been completed and bids are being received for the new Gadsden which insures that it will be one of the costliest and most up to date hotels in the southwest. The building will be built on the northwest corner of Eleventh and G avenues. It will have a frontage of 100 feet on G avenue and 124 feet on Eleventh street, with a full basement under the entire building and four stories above the ground. The two street fronts will be of Elgin, Texas, cream colored pressed brick with Bedford, Indiana, stone and terra cotta trimmings.

There will be five store rooms on the ground floor on G avenue and three stores on Eleventh street. The main entrance will be on G avenue, this entrance leading to the lobby, which will be forty-six by sixty-six feet. The vestibule and lobby will have tile floors and marble wainscoting sixteen feet high. The main stair from the lobby to the second floor will be made of marble. The dining room will be on the mezzanine floor on the Eleventh street side and will be 32x60 feet. The office, billiard room and kitchen will be on the first floor. There will be one freight and one passenger elevator. On the mezzanine floor on the Eleventh street side will be a palm garden 14x66 feet.

There will be one hundred rooms with thirty bath rooms. The entire building will be of brick, stone and steel construction. The heating and plumbing will represent the most modern ideas in that line. Gas and electric lights will be over the entire building, which, when completed, will represent an outlay of \$150,000.

**First National Building**  
The second largest and most costly building now under course of construction is that of the First National bank at the corner of Tenth street and G avenue, a portion of the first story walls of which are now up. The building is 50x134 feet and three stories in height. The bank will occupy the corner room, and the rest of the building is one large store room on G avenue and three small stores on Tenth street.

The second and third floors will be used for offices. This building will have Elgin, Texas, cream pressed brick fronts on both streets, trimmed with Pecos, Texas, red sandstone, and cream colored terra cotta. Its cost will be \$40,000.

**Western Investment Building**  
This will be the third largest and most expensive building of the many that are now going up. It is at the corner of Eleventh street and G avenue, fronting 100 feet on G avenue and 120 feet on Eleventh street. It will be two stories high with four large store rooms fronting on G avenue. The second floor will be used for office rooms. The building has an all concrete foundation with Elgin, Texas, cream colored pressed brick and terra cotta on both sides facing the streets. The contractors have just begun excavating for this building, which will be completed at a cost of \$35,000.

**Pitts and Riordan**  
The Pitts and Riordan building, next to the corner of Eleventh street and G avenue, is 50x100 feet, two stories high with two large store rooms on the ground floor. The second floor will be used for offices. This building is a handsome structure with Elgin, Texas, cream colored pressed brick front, with terra cotta trimmings. The store front is of handsome plate glass with copper trimmings.

This building is nearing completion and will cost \$22,000.

**High School**  
The new high school building foundation is in and work is being pushed in order to complete it by October 1. The building is 120x180 feet and is one and two stories high. It will be built of brick and stone. There will be ten class rooms, one large assembly room and several teachers' rooms. In the center of the building a large court, 50x50 feet, where flowers, palms and shrubbery, will be located. This handsome school building is being constructed on A avenue, between Twelfth and Thirteenth streets and the contract price is \$30,000. When this is completed Douglas will have four public schools buildings, one on Seventh street, cost \$20,000; one on Fifteenth street, cost \$30,000; one in the Pitts addition, cost \$2,000, and the new high school, cost \$30,000.

**Ben Goldman Building**  
This building on G avenue, between Ninth and Tenth streets, is 50x100 feet and is two stories high. There are two stories on the ground floor which will be used for hotel purposes. This building has Thurber, Texas, red pressed brick front with white terra cotta trimmings. The walls of the first story are partially up now and when completed the building will cost \$18,000.

**Other Business Blocks**  
The Brophy building on G avenue, between Eleventh and Twelfth streets, is nearing completion. It is one story, 50x60 feet, and has three store rooms. It is built of cream pressed brick with terra cotta trimmings and will cost \$7,000. Plans are being prepared for an addition to Calhoun Bros.' store at the corner of Ninth and G. The addition will be 50x54 feet and will make the entire building 50x124 feet. It will cost \$4,500.

The Welgemoth building on the northwest corner of Eighth and G avenue, 50x80 feet, is nearing completion. It is being built of El Paso red pressed brick. There will be two large store rooms on the ground floor and twenty rooms on the second floor, the latter to be used for hotel purposes. The building will cost \$15,000. The Kline building at the corner of Seventh and G avenue is about finished. It is 50x75 feet, has two store rooms on the ground floor with living rooms on the second floor. It is built of white tufa cut stone and will cost \$10,000.

Mr. McGuire is completing a twenty-two room east stone terrace on Twelfth street, between F and G avenues, that will cost \$4,000.

**Churches Under Construction**  
The walls of the handsome Presbyterian church are about completed and it will be an ornament to the church block. It is at the corner of Tenth street and D avenue. The walls are of white tufa cut stone and it will represent an outlay of \$15,000.

The Catholic people are receiving bids for their fine brick church, to be built at the corner of Tenth street and C avenue. It will cost \$15,000 and will be the eighth handsome brick and stone church edifice to be erected in Douglas.

**Houses and Investment Cottages**  
Will Henry is building a four-room frame cottage on Eleventh street, between D and E avenues; cost, \$1,200. E. R. Pitts is having plans made for five modern cottages, to be built on Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh streets. Two of them will cost \$1,500 each, two \$2,000 each and one \$2,500. Miss Mackland has let a contract for a modern five-room white brick

to be built on Ninth street, between A and B avenues; cost, \$2,500.

Dr. Armstrong has commenced the construction of a five-room modern red brick residence on the southeast corner of Tenth street and B avenue; contract price, \$2,800.

Tadlock Brothers have material ordered for a five-room brick residence to be built on Tenth street, between C and D avenues; cost, \$3,000.

H. E. Dugan is just completing a modern five-room residence on Eleventh street, between E and F avenues. It is of red pressed brick with white stone trimmings; cost, \$4,000.

C. A. Shaw has about finished an up to date four-room cottage on Eleventh street, between E and F avenues. It is of white tufa cut stone; cost, \$3,000.

Mrs. D. Robinson is building on Twelfth, between E and F avenues, a two story, twelve-room east stone residence; cost, \$6,000.

Nelson Brothers are building a five-room brick residence on the corner of Seventh street and F avenue; cost, \$2,500.

J. W. Cox has under construction on F, between Twelfth and Thirteenth, a five-room adobe; cost, \$1,800.

E. C. Piper is building a six-room adobe at the corner of Eighth and F avenue, plastered inside and out with Douglas plaster; cost, \$3,000.

C. R. Dicus is just completing a four-room adobe on Twelfth, between C and D avenues; cost, \$1,200.

Ray Wiley is building a six-room adobe at the corner of Fourteenth and B avenue; cost, \$2,000.

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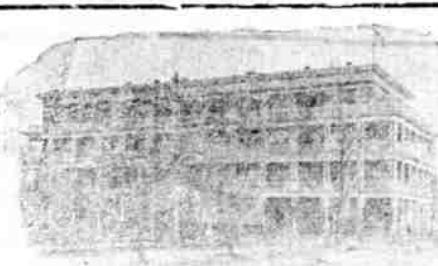
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